

CPC Committee Minutes 6-10-2014

Rockport Police Station 7:00 PM

Members Present: Ruth George (Chair), Paul Sena, Maryann Lash, Phil Crotty, Julie McMahon, Bethany Brosnan, Mel Michaels, Stephen DeMarco, Ed Hand

Ruth George opens meeting with a moment of silence on John Sparks who passed away and to remember all that he has done for the Town of Rockport.

Deadline for articles to the Town Administrator is July 10, 2014

September 8, 2014 is the town meeting

Application Reviews:

Community Tennis Courts which are located at the Rockport Public School Complex. They are seeking \$33,394 from the CPC - the motion was to accept the request in the amount of \$33,394. All members were in favor – **Motion passed \$33,394**

Old Garden Beach Landing Fence Replacement. They are seeking \$7,000 from the CPC - the motion was to accept the request in the amount of \$7,000. All members were in favor – **Motion Passed \$7,000**

Rockport Housing Partnership, Inc. is seeking \$400,000 from the CPC. Discussions included that this was hard to support, that they need a bigger group, too many conflicts with its current members. However Mel Michaels suggested that we may want to set aside \$200,000.00 for affordable housing. It was decided unanimously by all CPC members not to support this project – **Motioned to deny application passed**

Conservation Commission. They are seeking \$200,000 from the CPC – the motion was to drop the ConCom's request to \$115,000. All members were in favor – **Motion Passed \$115,000**

A couple of items were brought up: How much money do they currently have \$384,000, who else gives money to the concom in which the committee was told the town contributes \$500.00

Eric Hutchins spoke on unbuildable lots, wetlands and that many parcels in Rockport were at a reduced rate

Millbrook Meadow. Both Maryann and Mel spoke of the cons regarding this project. Mel would like to postpone the monetary portion of this project until July once the feasibility study is complete. Steve questioned the timeline as well. Mel stated that they still have not spent the money that was allocated to them last year. Phil felt that we will send the wrong message. Ed felt that we should support it with some funding. Ruth mentioned that they have done the work that we have asked of them. All members of the CPC felt that this project is very favorable however the money that they are requesting is for construction which will not be done for 2 years.

Motion was made to reject the application – **Motioned to deny application passed**

Action is seeking \$100,000.00. The motion was to drop Action's request to \$75,000.00 – 6 members in favor – 3 opposed – **Motion passed \$75,000.00**

Action has a very positive impact for the Town of Rockport. They do great work and last year CPC gave them \$75,000.

Baptist Church is seeking \$120,000.00 from CPC for fire prevention however bids came in lower to \$72,500. This will protect a historic structure in town and the church is very community oriented. The motion was made to fund the project at \$113,500 which will give them a contingency. Motion was made to fund the project at \$113,500 – **Motion passed \$113,500**

Rockport Unitarian Universalist Church is seeking \$220,000 from CPC

Mary Francis was present and mentioned that they have \$30,000 to contribute to the steeple. Motion was made to support the request in the amount of \$220,000 - **Motion Passed \$220,000**

Granite Pier Extension is seeking \$5500.00 from CPC

Skip Mondello spoke about what the funding will cover. Motion was made to support the request in the amount of \$5500.00 – **Motion Passed \$5500.00**

Front Beach Project is seeing \$20,000.00 from CPC. This will be a joint project involving the DPW, Garden Club as well as the Beautification Committee. Motion was made to fund the project in the amount of \$20,000.00 – **Motion passed \$20,000.00**

Rockport Art Association – Postpone vote because of legal control over the land and the current sale of Rockport National Bank. It was moved to postpone until next meeting and all members were in favor. CPC will need in writing from RAA that the bank is turning the parcel of land over to RAA.

MINUTES: Steve DeMarco made a motion to accept the May minutes and Mel Michaels 2nd. Approved.

Ruth George checked on the minutes and they need to be done in draft and they can be sent around to committee members in draft form

TREASURERS REPORT

We could receive anywhere from \$175,000 to \$75,000 depending on what is voted on by the state. Motion was made by Steve to accept the treasurer's report – Maryann 2nd it all in favor to accept the treasures report.

Ruth made a motion to adjourn and Steve seconded the motion. Approved.